Equalising BHMS and BAMS courses with MBBS

†3129. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it takes four and half year alongwith one year internship to complete MBBS, BAMS and BHMS courses;

(b) if so, whether BAMS and BHMS course are considered equivalent to the MBBS; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) The duration of course BAMS and BHMS is 5-1/2 years which includes internship also. The duration for MBBS is 5-1/2 years which includes one year internship.

(b) and (c) BAMS, BHMS and MBBS are primary medical qualifications required to practice different systems of medicine namely Ayurveda, Homoeopathy and modern Allopathic system of medicine respectively. These systems of medicine are governed by different principles, concepts and laws.

Performance status of NRHM

†3130. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of health programmes being run under National Rural Health Mission, State-wise;

(b) the names of the States wherein implementation of these programmes have not been found satisfactory as per the survey conducted by Ministry; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) The National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) is an overarching umbrella initiative subsuming the existing important programmes of the Ministry

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